

U .S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
CRIMINAL DIVISION
RESIDENT LEGAL ADVISOR IN ALBANIA

About the Office: The mission of the Criminal Division's Office of Overseas Prosecutorial Development, Assistance and Training (OPDAT) is to develop and administer technical and developmental assistance designed to enhance the capabilities of foreign justice sector institutions and their law enforcement personnel, so those institutions and their personnel can more effectively combat terrorism, organized crime, corruption, financial crimes, trafficking in persons and other types of crime, in a manner consistent with the rule of law, and can more effectively cooperate regionally and with the United States in combating such crime.

Responsibilities and

Opportunity Offered: The Office seeks an experienced Assistant United States Attorney or Department of Justice Trial Attorney to serve as the Resident Legal Advisor (RLA) for Albania. This assignment is for a term of one year, with the possibility of an extension for a second year, contingent on available funding. **(This is a reimbursable detail.)** The RLA will be the second of two U.S. prosecutors who represent the U.S. Department of Justice and OPDAT in the implementation of a bilateral assistance program in Albania. The RLA will assist Albanian efforts to counter endemic corruption by increasing capacity to investigate and prosecute corrupt public officials. The RLA will assist in the creation of a specialized unit of prosecutors, police officials, tax investigators and customs officials dedicated to investigating and prosecuting corruption and financial crime. Specific assistance will include improving the police-prosecutor relationship; developing investigation and prosecution strategies, including the use of search warrants, financial records, undercover techniques and electronic interceptions; and improving trial practice. The RLA will work with senior prosecutorial authorities in Albania to develop laws, policies and procedures regarding the investigation and prosecution of public corruption, and will coordinate assistance with the various offices and agencies within the Embassy in connection with the Embassy's anti-corruption efforts. The RLA will also coordinate with other U.S., European, Albanian, and multilateral organizations involved in anti-corruption efforts.

Qualifications: Required qualifications: Applicants must possess a J.D. degree, be duly licensed and authorized to practice as an attorney under the laws of a State, territory, or the District of Columbia. **Applicants must be a current Department Trial Attorney or**

Assistant United States Attorney and have at least four or five years of post J.D. experience to be qualified at the GS-14 or 15 level. Applicants must have the ability to function effectively in an international, multi-cultural environment and possess excellent interpersonal and management skills, be mature and self-sufficient, communicate effectively orally and in writing, and possess extensive prosecution experience.

Preferred qualifications: Specialized experience in prosecuting corruption and financial crimes is required. Specific comparative experience with criminal justice systems in Central and Eastern Europe or general comparative experience with continental criminal legal systems is desired. Proficiency in Albanian is desired, but is not required.

Travel: Periodic travel will be required.

Salary Information: Current salary and years of experience determine the appropriate salary level. (See OPM's Web page at www.opm.gov/oca/payrates/index.htm)

Location: The RLA will be stationed in Tirana, Albania beginning in the fall 2007.

Relocation Expenses: Relocation expenses are authorized.

Submission Process

and Deadline Date: To apply for this position, applicants should obtain the concurrence of their Section Chief, Office Director, or U.S. Attorney prior to submitting a resume and cover letter (highlighting relevant skills and experience) to:

U.S. Department of Justice
Criminal Division
Office of Overseas Prosecutorial Development, Assistance and Training
(OPDAT)
10th and Pennsylvania Aves., NW
Washington, DC 20530
Attn: Nicholas S. Acker, Regional Director, Central and Eastern Europe

Applications may also be submitted by fax or email. Mr. Acker's fax number is (202) 616-6770. His email address is nicholas.acker@usdoj.gov.

Applications will be accepted until this position is filled.